new power generation schemes during the years 1986-87 and 1987-88;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) how many power generation projects State-wise have been sanctioned for the western region including Maharashtra for the Seventh Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) The capacity addition during 1986-87 is targetted as 3396 MW comprising 1204 MW hydro and 2192 MW thermal. The tentative capacity addition anticipated during 1987-88 is about 5315 MW comprising 1212 MW hydro and 4103 MW thermal.

(c) A capacity addition of 6531 MW is envisaged in the Western Region during the Seventh Plan period from 5 projects in Gujarat, 6 projects in Madhya Pradesh and 13 projects in Maharashtra besides the Central Sector Projects.

Demand and supply of power

1281. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power requirement in the country is increasing gradually;

(b) if so, what is the present power requirement and the power availability in the country and how the gap is proposed to be bridged;

(c) what is the likely annual increase in power requirement until the year 2000 A.D. and broad details of various sectors requiring it; and

(d) what is the anticipated gap in the requirement and supply of power in 1990, 1995 and 2000 A. D.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the month of October, 1986, the overall Energy requirement in the country was 16204 MU against which the availability was 14903 MU which represents a shortage of about 8 per cent. The steps taken to improve the supply of power include expediting commissioning of new capacity, better utilisation of existing capacity implementing short gestation projects reducing transmission and distribution losses, implementation of energy conservation and demand management measures and arranging transfer of energy from surplus to deficit States.

(c) The available information is given in Statement-I and Statement-II (*See* Appendix CXL, Annexure Nos. 56 and 57).

(d) The anticipated gap in the requirement and supply of power in 1990 in terms of energy requirement is likely to be about 5.4 per cent. The power position by the end of 1995 and 2000 A.D. would, *inter alia*, depend on the power sector outlay and programme to be finalised in the VIII and IX Plans.

Chari Committee report on Eastern Coal Fields

1282. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the report of the Chari Committee on Eastern Coal Fields Limited has been placed before Joint Bipartite Committee for Coal Industry (JBCCI):

(b) if so, when; and

(c) what decisions have been taken by JBCCI on the said report?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Lesser production of power

1283. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NTPC is suffering loss in production of power due to short supply of coal; and